

# **High Desert Dispatch: May 2016**

**Bulletin of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Silver City**  
**Join us at 3845 N. Swan Street, 10:00 a.m. Sundays**

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Silver City is a diverse group of religious independents seeking knowledge, spiritual sustenance, fellowship and opportunities for service to others. Our programs encompass humanism, liberal Christianity, earth-based spirituality, Buddhism and many other traditions. The members themselves plan and present the Sunday programs. **Please join us.**

## **Sunday Programs**

(All Sunday Programs begin at 10:00 unless stated otherwise)

### **May 1<sup>st</sup> -- Steve Hamp -- "Connected Journeys: Living Landscapes in New Mexico"**

This compilation of poems by this Santa Fe author highlights New Mexico landscapes that are remarkable in splendor and rich in cultural and natural history.

### **May 8<sup>th</sup> -- Mary Hotvedt -- "Mother Love in all its Variations"**

will be presented by Dr. Mary Hotvedt for Mother's Day, May 8. Hotvedt has spent much of her career, both as an anthropologist and a therapist, working with couples, children and families. She is the former President of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy. Mary and her husband, Bob Garrett, MD, worked together in Zambia in home and school for children orphaned by the AIDS epidemic. Mary has given trainings in family therapy in several countries. She is on the Board for Border Area Mental Health Services and is a candidate in the primary for the NM House of Representatives. Mary's talk will be about the many ways the parent instinct manifests itself in women and men.

**May 15<sup>th</sup> -- Rev. Azima Lila Forest -- "Service of Universal Peace"** The Rev. Azima Lila Forest will offer a candle-lighting ceremony honoring the world's great religious and spiritual traditions.

**May 22<sup>nd</sup> -- Connie Thibeau-Catsis -- "Mythological Ideas to Explore."** This is a talk about mythological ideas, as well as stories, and how they may relate to our lives.

**May 29<sup>th</sup> -- Memorial Day Picnic Bluesfest Potluck Picnic -- 11 AM -- Penny Park** (see page 2)

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## **Calendar of Building Events**

(Please note the schedule in the building and on the website.) Contact the office (575-538-0101) for scheduling. (Coordinator – Harriet Rogers)

**Silver City Camera Club** – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month 7:00 pm

**News from the Board:**

The Board met on April 24th. Discussions included Treasury issues. Barb Gabioud is meeting with an accountant to better use Quicken for the Fellowship's needs. UUA and MDD allocations were assigned. Various committee issues were discussed including Program Committee's possible plans for summer; (still under review, stay tuned), UUFSC rental policy and bus passes. A discussion of Life Line rental was held.

The most important topic of discussion was the "revolving Chair" policy which has been used by the board since Nov. 2015 and is not working out well in terms of continuity. George Ruebelmann has generously agreed to continue as Chair until this coming November. The Board thanks him for this donation of his time and talents. Please give him a high five, pat on the back, kiss his feet, or whatever seems appropriate to recognize his service.

Discussion of summer schedules to insure that some board members will be in town while others are away. The next two board meetings will be after the service on Sunday May 15, and Sunday June 12.

**Remember** to bring non-perishable foods (esp. canned beans and tomato products) for the Food Pantry distribution. Please place in the baskets by the front door.

**Picnic info: Remember it starts at 11:00 am**

It will take place under the covered picnic area at the back of Penny Park. Bring a dish. It is helpful if you bring your own place settings. The Fellowship will provide drinks. Bring an instrument if you'd like.